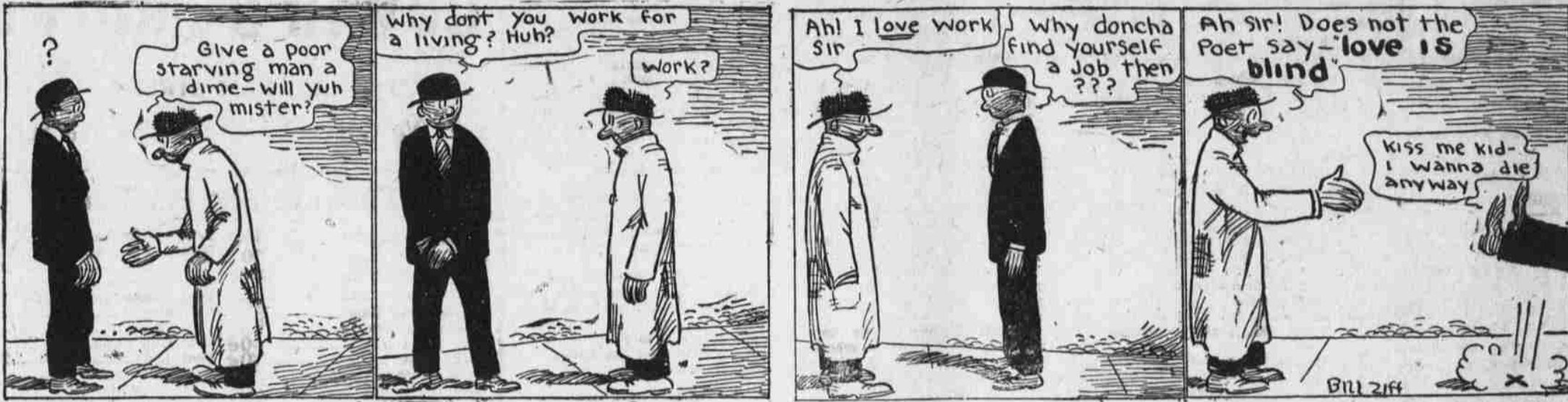


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## NEGROES TO START A BANK.

Harlem Meeting Subscribes \$10,000  
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Plans for the establishment of a bank for Negroes in New York were discussed at a meeting of business men of the race in Lafayette Hall, Harlem, last evening. Augustus Duncan, the originator of the idea, presided, and preliminary funds to the amount of \$10,000 were subscribed.

The bank as proposed is to be capitalized for \$1,000,000 and to be situated in Harlem. A committee of twenty-five, headed by Julius M. Green, was chosen to proceed with the campaign for subscribers. It was also decided to form a business corporation to stimulate trade by Negroes between the United States and the West Indies and South America. Those in charge of the two projects stated that they are acting independently of any existing Negro organization.

## TEACHERS SHOULD ASSIST.

Washington, Nov. 27.—Participation by teachers in solving the larger problems of educational administration is "indispensable to the best development of the public schools," and a necessary recognition of the principle of democracy, according to a report just issued by the national education commission on emergency in education.

"Teachers working in the class rooms of our public schools have contributed ideas that have had a determining influence upon educational progress," was the report. "Through teachers' councils, through committees, through voluntary associations and through individual recommendations teachers have concerned themselves with the larger problems of education administration to the great benefit of the schools."

"Boards of education and administrative officers in those communities that have made the greatest progress have recognized this principle. In many places, by rule of the board, or by invitation of the superintendent, teachers' organizations have been requested to make recommendations affecting courses of study, the adoption of text books, types of building and equipment, the organization of special classes and special kinds of schools, and the formulation of budgets."

"We believe that this participation by teachers is indispensable to the best development of the public schools, and the formulation of bud-

gets. We believe that such participation should be the right and responsibility of every teacher."

## COTTON MILLS IN SOUTH. DEMIED COAL MAY CLOSE.

Atlanta, Ga., November 27.—Orders curtailing delivery of coal in the South to the first classes in the priority list, which does not include manufacturers, were issued tonight by the regional director of the Railroad Administration. The action means the possible closing of cotton mills and manufacturing plants when their present stocks are exhausted.

Some reports from mills indicated that they had only a scant stock of coal on hand.

The regional director, in a statement explaining the reasons for the curtailment order, said:

"This action has become imperative necessary because of the failure of miners in the country's great producing fields to return to work, although in obedience to the Federal Court's mandate, the union officials recalled the strike order, which became effective on November 1."

Coal production, the statement added, was still below requirements of preferred classes of consumers, and the policy of supplying their needs "has been depleting with dangerous rapidity the stocks held subject to the Federal Administration's order."

## TUSKEGEE TO MAKE CHRISTMAS HAPPY FOR SOUTHERN NEGRO CHILDREN.

Tuskegee Institute, through its graduates and former students, and through the Jeanes Fund workers and the teachers in Rosenwald schools, will this year distribute Christmas presents among the Negro children of the South. The institution issued an appeal for gifts, and will take the responsibility of seeing that those received reach worthy families and are distributed over a large part of the South as possible. The presents may be sent to R. R. Moton, Principal of Tuskegee Institute.

## WHITES AND REDS FIGHT ON INDIAN RESERVATION.

Syracuse, N. Y., Nov. 27.—Bad blood alleged to have been engendered by insulting remarks of a white youth to a young Indian matron, caused the opening of a race war on the Onondaga Indian Reservation and roused the Onondaga braves, who till

the southern extremity of the preserve. A pitched battle between whites and redskins, the ambush of a young Indian by a quartette of white youths living near the reservation and an attack on the home of an Indian woman, Mrs. Sylvia George, with shotguns, are the acts already charged up.

## KING ALBERT GIVES PRIVATE CAR CREW BIG TIP.

New York, N. Y., Nov. 27.—King Albert of Belgium, who, with his family, have been touring the country in a private car, showed marked generosity when, in appreciation of the services rendered by the crew, he gave J. Lewis, chauffeur, the car, \$1,000, to be distributed equally between himself (Lewis), E. Letcher (waiter) and S. Sample (porter). Lewis is the proud recipient of a pair of gold cuff buttons with the King's initials inscribed on them.

Lewis has been employed as chef over twenty-five years and was selected from a host of other chefs to preside over the kingly dishes. He is well known in New York.

## TWELFTH ARKANSAS NEGRO FOUND GUILTY OF MURDER.

Helena, Ark., Nov. 27.—Ed. Ware, a Negro charged with the murder of W. A. Adkins, at Hoop Spur, September 30, was found guilty in Phillips County Circuit Court here today. The jury deliberated four minutes, the entire trial requiring only two hours and five minutes.

Ware, who was alleged to have been a leader in the insurrection, in the Elaine neighborhood early in October, was arrested recently at Algiers, La. He is said to have confessed there that he was secretary of the Progressive Farmers' and Household Union of America, the organization in which the Negroes were banded for an uprising against the white planters, which was precipitated by the murder from ambush of Adkins, a member of a small posse en route to Elaine to arrest a white man.

Ware is the twelfth Negro convicted of first-degree murder in connection with the uprising. The conviction automatically carries the death penalty in Arkansas.

## SLEEPING CAR PORTERS HOLD BIG CONVENTION.

Chicago, Ill., Nov. 27.—The Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters' Protective Union held their first national convention at Chicago from Oct. 28th to 31st, inclusive. An interview with the New York delegates elicited the information that it was a complete success and that the foundation of a mighty structure has been laid for the improvement of the service in general and the betterment of working conditions for all concerned. The union, a twelve months old organization, has spread out from the Atlantic to the Pacific and from the Mississippi to the Gulf of Mexico, having delegates on the floor from New York four sections of Chicago, St. Louis, San Francisco, Oakland, St. Paul, Seattle, Oklahoma City, Kansas City, Port Worth and Portland, Ore. This organization has made rapid strides and bids fair to be the greatest movement of its kind ever launched by the colored men of the United States.

## SERVANT GIRLS PLAN TO ORGANIZE IN DES MOINES.

Des Moines, Ia., Nov. 27.—Wives of business men in Des Moines who have let their husbands worry over the demands of organized labor may have to face and solve some of the same demands. Quietly maids and women servants have been making inquiries at the headquarters of the local Trades and Labor Assembly about forming a union to improve their working conditions. Nothing definite has as yet been done, it is said, but the inquiries show the trend of thought. Questions said to have been asked, in addition to process of organization, are about minimum wages, days off and other conditions. According to information available here, there is but one successful maids' union in the United States, and that is at San Diego, Cal. There was an informal organization here several years ago, but it died a natural death.

## NEGRO KILLS PLANTER—MOB RANGS BROTHER—R. W. SIVLEY SHOT WHEN HE GOES TO FRIENDS AID.

Lambert, Miss., Nov. 27.—R. W. Sivley, prominent planter and brother of Judge Clarence L. Sivley of Memphis, is dead. Robert Motley, Negro, was lynched and Will Motley, 18, brother of Robert is being sought as the result of a dispute over a crop settlement between P. P. Cassidy and Robert Motley last Friday.

Mr. Sivley went to Mr. Cassidy's aid only to be shot by Will Motley, who escaped.

Robert was taken to jail Friday morning and allowed to remain there until Saturday night, when an armed mob forced its way in and hanged him.

## G. H. BOWEN BUYS VALUABLE LIBERTY STREET PROPERTY.

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One of Most Valuable Properties Acquired Here by a Negro.

Savannah, Ga., Nov. 25.—A real estate deal of much interest to Negroes of the city was that which was consummated early this week in which G. H. Bowen, the real estate dealer, purchased the property on the southwest corner of Liberty and Price streets from Solomon Sheffall.

The property fronts 60 feet on Liberty street and extends back on Price street to the lane, a distance of 100 feet. That portion facing Liberty street consists of a three-story red pressed brick building with three stores on the ground floor and two living apartments above while that bordering on the lane and facing Price street is composed of a detached two-story dwelling, also of red pressed brick.

The property is very advantageous, being in a select white section of the city in which property values are increasing at a marvelous rate. It is the first time that a Negro has come into possession of a piece of property in this immediate vicinity. Its purchase price was in the neighborhood of \$300,000.00, and it is stated that it was bought as an investment.

## BILL IN BRITISH GUIANA HITS RACE PAPERS.

The Seditious Publication Bill, if Passed, Would Bar The Crisis, Clarion and Negro World.

Mrs. Amy Taylor of New York City, received a letter from a friend in British Guiana, which read in part as follows:

"The Governor is out of the Colony just now, but the Acting Governor has put up a bill called the 'seditious Publication Bill,' to prevent these papers from New York coming here—The Crisis, The Clarion and The Negro World. In case such a preposterous bill is passed the penalty will be \$10,000 fine or seven years imprisonment with hard labor. 'I understand, too, that all suspicious looking letters or parcels will also be opened, so you can clearly see the white man's feeling towards us as a race, and this desire to keep us down.'

"We must not even be informed by our relatives and friends of what is done by the Negroes over there. I do not think you should send down any more papers in your letters. I believe it will be dangerous and may cause you some trouble there."

## THUG DETECTIVE AGENCY UNMASKED: STARTED RIOTS; POSED AS CONCILIATOR.

Chicago, Nov. 27.—Five taxi loads of policemen and detectives, directed by State Attorney Hoyne, raided the offices of the Sherman Service, arrested 50 people and confiscated a mass of letters and documents. The Sherman Service advertised itself as "labor conciliators" and has branch offices in New York, Philadelphia, Toronto, St. Louis, Cleveland, Detroit, Boston and New Haven.

Charges of a conspiracy to foment race riots and other forms of violence, together with the wholesale destruction of property as part of a program to break the steel strike, was made in a statement by the states attorney, whose attention was first called to the Sherman outfit by Edward Nockels, secretary of the Chicago federation of labor. The states attorney named the Illinois Steel company and the Steel Tube Company of America in connection with the work of the conspirators. The specific charge against the detective agency is that it employed slugs to stir up trouble where strikes exist in order to bring about the use of federal troops.

According to the states attorney, R. V. Phillips, with the title of "advisory director" had a charge of the thugery. He directed the slugs, the smashing of windows, cutting automobile tires, the burning of buildings and the fomenting of racial prejudices among the strikers, while professing to engage in the business of a conciliator.

The telephone wire to Phillips' luxurious home was tapped and conversations with the slugs recorded. In one instance operator No. 155 reported to the advisory director from South Chicago that he had located a four-story wooden building filled with lamp black.

Phillips, replied: "I am glad you are keeping your eyes open. That would be a good place for a fire."

Among the documents seized by the police was a copy of this letter forwarded on October 10 to C. A. Stillman, assistant to the president of the Steel and Tube Company of America:

"Being desirous of bringing the results about as soon as possible, propaganda is now being spread among the workers, each nationality being approached and advised in their own language of contemplated action by other nationalities."

"Efforts are also being made to create as much radical dislike as possible—by causing the Poles to distrust the Italians and Serbians, by causing the Serbians to distrust the Italians and Poles, and by causing the Serbians to have nothing to do with the Croats and Rumanians, and by causing all other nationalities thoroughly to distrust the Americans, the desired results will be brought

about more quickly than any other way."

The methods employed by these thugs, who posed as "labor conciliators," seem satisfactory to business men who employed them, for in a page advertisement in local newspapers the thugs plead not guilty to the charges and say:

"Sherman Service officials were placed in deferred classification during the conscription (at the request of their clients) being considered as essential to the maintenance of our national interests."

## \$50,000 FINE OR 20 YEARS IMPRISONMENT PROPOSED FOR REDS.

Senator Poindexter Introduces Bill Making Seditious Utterances a Felony Punishable by Heavy Fines or Long Jail Terms.

Washington, Nov. 27.—The writing, printing, circulating or uttering of language urging the forcible overthrow of the government would be made a felony, punishable by a fine not exceeding \$50,000 or twenty years' imprisonment, under a bill introduced today by Senator Poindexter, Republican, Washington. The measure was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Persons convicted of destruction of private property or injury to a person while engaged in attempt against organized authority would be sentenced to not more than forty years' imprisonment or fine, \$50,000.

Property owners permitting meetings where overthrow of the government was advocated would also be punished under the act, which also provides a penalty of death for any one who by violating the act causes the death of a person.

Aimed at I. W. W. "The bill," Senator Poindexter said, "is intended to enable the United States to protect its functions and agencies from anarchy and Bolshevism. It is aimed at organizations such as the Industrial Workers of the World and other unlawful organizations in the United States which have been particularly active in recent months."

Senator Poindexter declared in a statement that Attorney General Palmer had not given sufficient explanation of the government's failure to deport undesirable aliens, and that "the government had positively refused in many cases to allow them to go."

Characterizing the action of federal authorities as "inadequate," Senator Poindexter called attention to the offer of Martens, self-styled representative in this country of the Soviet Government, to send home Russians who wanted to go, and asserted the government should encourage in every way possible, their departure.

Immediate Need. Senator Poindexter said there was immediately need of more comprehensive and drastic legislation "for the punishment of those who preach and advise the forcible overthrow of government or destruction of persons and property as a means of accomplishing political results."

## WHOLE WORLD IS AT GRIPS WITH H. C. OF L.

Reports to State Department Show All Nations Seek Solution.

Washington, November 27.—That the whole world is struggling with the increased cost of living is indicated in reports to the State Department. The increases in Europe and particularly high, although in Latin-America the governments are anxious over the situation, and are trying to find means of combating the difficulties presented by the high prices of commodities deemed essential.

In Portugal the government in an attempt to lower the cost of living, has placed, through the Minister of Finance, a part of its gold reserves in the hands of Libon.

In England the cost of living above pre-war level is figured at 115 per cent for September and 120 per cent for October, as to actual necessities of life, and based upon average living condition of wage earners. A more distinct rise has occurred in the cost of commodities so far as the other elements of population in England are concerned, being unofficially estimated by some at approximately 135 per cent, with a steady upward trend.

In Sweden, figures furnished by the Swedish Government indicate that the cost of living has increased 157 per cent over the cost in June, 1914. In the cities the increase has been very much greater than the average for the country.

The Argentine Government has suggested to other South American countries and discussed with them an international arrangement, with a view to doing away with import duties in unmanufactured food products as one means of cutting down the high cost of living.

## RACE STENOGRAPHER IN PENNSYLVANIA COURT OF APPEALS.

Pittsburg, Va., Nov. 27.—The appointment of John W. Rosemond to the position of official court of Allegheny county by the judges recently is certainly most gratifying. The appointment is a tribute to Mr. Rosemond's ability. It is said the salary is \$160 per month.

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